IAP5 Rec'd PCT/PTO 01 SEP 2006

PTO/SB/08A (07-06)
Approved for use through 09/30/2006. OMB 0651-0031
U.S. Patent and Trademark Office; U.S. DEPARTMENT OF COMMERCE

U.S. Patent and Trademark Office; U.S. DEPARTMENT OF COMMERCI

	Substitute for form 1449/PTO			Complete if Known			
				Application Number	10/5914]	. 2	
	INICODMA	ATION D	ISCLOSURE	Filing Date			
				First Named Inventor	Kurt Holm et al.		
	STATEM	ENT BY .	APPLICANT	Art Unit			
(Use as many sheets as necessary)				Examiner Name			
	Sheet 1	of	1	Attorney Docket Number	7396.3009.001		

			U. S. PATENT	DOCUMENTS	
Examiner Initials*	Cite No.1 Document Number		Publication Date MM-DD-YYYY	Name of Patentee or Applicant of Cited Document	Pages, Columns, Lines, Where Relevant Passages or Relevant Figures Appear
		Number-Kind Code ^{2 (if known)}			1 igures Appear
	1	^{US-} 4,670,894	06-02-1987	Birnbach et al.	
	2	^{US-} 5,729,583	03-17-1998	Tang et al.	
	3	^{US-} 6,477,233 B1	11-05-2002	Ribbing et al.	
	4	^{US-} 2001/0019601 A1	09-06-2001	Tkahashi et al.	
	5	^{US-} 2002/0021068 A1	02-21-2002	R. Espinosa	
	5	^{US-} 2003/0002627 A1	01-02-2003	Espinosa et al.	
	6	^{US-} 2003/0063707 A1	04-03-2003	G. Mulhollan	
	7	US- 2004/0008818 A1	01-15-2004	Rangsten et al.	
		US-	***	- ""	
		US-			
		US-			
-,		US-			
		US-			-
		US-			-
		US-			
- 10		US-			
		US-	<u> </u>		
		US-			
		US-			

Examiner Initials*	Cite No.1	Foreign Patent Document	Publication Date	Name of Patentee or Applicant of Cited Document	Pages, Columns, Lines, Where Relevant Passages Or Relevant Figures Appear	T ⁶
		Country Code ^{3 -} Number ^{4 -} Kind Code ⁵ (<i>if known</i>)	MM-DD-YYYY			
	1	FR 2 574 592 A	06-13-1986	Hamamatsu Photonics		
	2	WO 99 62589 A	12-09-1999	U. Halavee		
	3	DE 198 32 032 C1	02-10-2000	Siemens AG		
						_
·					,	느

	_	
Examiner	Date	
Signature	Considered	
	00110100100	

*EXAMINER: Initial if reference considered, whether or not citation is in conformance with MPEP 609. Draw line through citation if not in conformance and not considered. Include copy of this form with next communication to applicant. Applicant's unique citation designation number (optional). See Kinds Codes of USPTO Patent Documents at www.uspto.gov or MPEP 901.04. Enter Office that issued the document, by the two-letter code (WIPO Standard ST.3). For Japanese patent documents, the indication of the year of the reign of the Emperor must precede the serial number of the patent document. Kind of document by the appropriate symbols as indicated on the document under WIPO Standard ST.16 if possible. Applicant is to place a check mark here if English language Translation is attached.

This collection of information is required by 37 CFR 1.97 and 1.98. The information is required to obtain or retain a benefit by the public which is to file (and by the USPTO to process) an application. Confidentiality is governed by 35 U.S.C. 122 and 37 CFR 1.14. This collection is estimated to take 2 hours to complete, including gathering, preparing, and submitting the completed application form to the USPTO. Time will vary depending upon the individual case. Any comments on the amount of time you require to complete this form and/or suggestions for reducing this burden, should be sent to the Chief Information Officer, U.S. Patent and Trademark Office, P.O. Box 1450, Alexandria, VA 22313-1450. DO NOT SEND FEES OR COMPLETED FORMS TO THIS ADDRESS. SEND TO: Commissioner for Patents, P.O. Box 1450, Alexandria, VA 22313-1450.

If you need assistance in completing the form, call 1-800-PTO-9199 (1-800-786-9199) and select option 2.